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Enclosed are:

- 23 Patent Specification including an Abstract  
 6 Pages of Claims  
 7 Sheet(s) of drawings.  Informal  Formal  
 1 Declaration(s) and Power of Attorney  
 Form PTO 1595 and Assignment of the Invention to IBM Corporation  
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